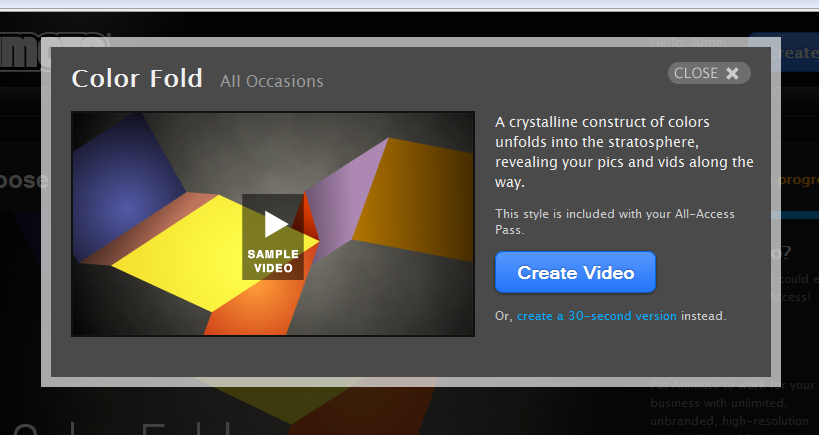
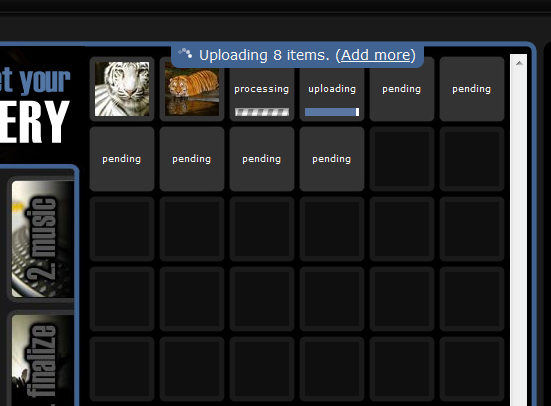
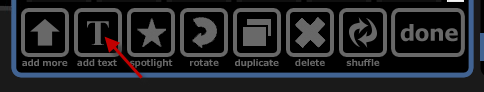
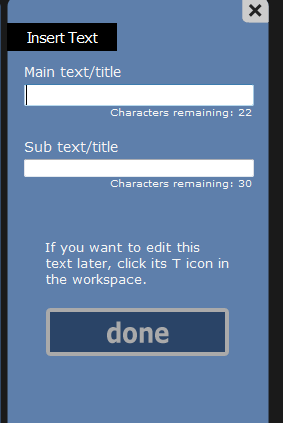
**HOW TO MAKE AN ANIMOTO VIDEO**

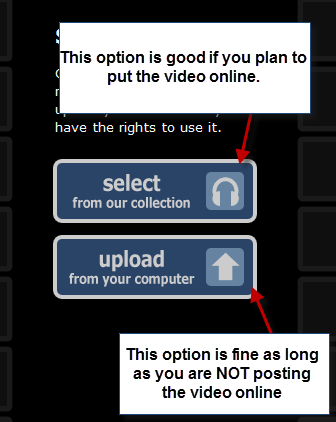
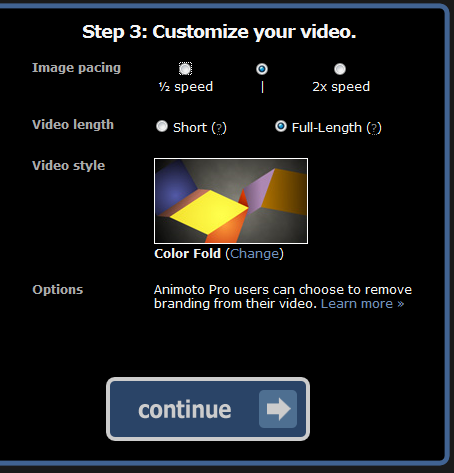
1. Login to Animoto. (I know. This step is pretty obvious).
2. Click on “Create Video” in the upper right hand corner of the screen.
3. Browse through the available themes and choose one you like. When you find your theme, click on it (you may preview it if you like) and then click on “Create Video.”



1. Step 1: Pics and Vids. Here is a brief description of how I complete this step:
   1. Go to your own personal photo collection and choose all the images you want. Create a new folder for your Animoto project and save all the images you want in your video in this folder.
   2. Click “Upload from your computer.” (NOTE – If you are using copyrighted images then remember you will not be able to post your video online. A safe alternative is to use your own pictures or the images Animoto provides by clicking “Select from Our Collection”). You may also upload straight from a picture site that hosts your pictures such as Picasa or Flickr or Facebook—Please note that Facebook cannot be accessed at school.



* 1. After clicking “Upload from your computer,” select the file with all your desired images on it and highlight all of them and then either click “Open” or simply hit the “Enter” key. Animoto will them automatically upload all your images. You will see something like this:
  2.  After your pictures have uploaded you can move them around by clicking on one picture and dragging it wherever you want it to go.
  3. Next you need to add your text. To do this, you will have to look at the menu at the bottom and use the text button.
  4. After clicking on the Add Text button you will see on the right of the screen a space to write what you want the video to say in that particular spot. Fill it out and then press “done.”
  5. When you are satisfied with your pictures and your text, press “Done” in the menu.

1. Next you need to pick your music. You have two choices. You may upload music from your computer or choose from Animoto’s collection. Animoto’s collection has been donated by up and coming artists for the sake of exposure. If you use this, you do NOT need to worry about copyright infringement. After you have selected your music, press “Save and Continue to move on to the final step.
2. Finally, you need to put the finishing touches on your video. This means selecting pacing and length (ALWAYS CHOOSE FULL-LENGTH). Some recommend choosing 2x speed because they feel anything else goes too slow and puts viewers to sleep. It depends on your purpose. If you have a certain amount of text—you will need more time than 2x speed.
3. Next, press continue and name your video. You may also put in a description if you want.
4. Finally, press “Create Video” Animoto will begin making your video. This may take about half an hour so don’t plan on sitting around waiting for it. BUT, they will e-mail you when it is finished, so you can work on another video while you wait or do something completely different.

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